Current Rate of Inflation & Union Contracts

Hello, my name is Sylvia Roberts, I am a resident of Brampton, and I come here today with serious concerns about how inflation is going to impact Brampton's union contracts with CUPE, which are due to expire half way through this term of Council. As the City was working on its housing affordability stuff, I became curious, do City of Brampton wages pay enough to afford to live in the City of Brampton?

| | 00 | partment | Listings | | | | | | | | |
|------|-------------|--------------|----------|---------|---------|---------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------|
| | | % Change Y/Y | | | | | | | | | |
| RANK | СІТҮ | TOTAL | Studio | 1 Bed | 2 Bed | 3 Bed | TOTAL | Studio | 1 Bed | 2 Bed | 3 Bed |
| 1 | Burnaby | \$2,726 | \$1,838 | \$2,356 | \$3,016 | \$3,398 | 29.7% | 6.5% | 29.0% | 24.8% | N/A |
| 2 | Brampton | \$2,406 | \$1,425 | \$2,101 | \$2,579 | \$2,926 | 28.9% | 7.5% | 26.7% | 31.0% | 33.5% |
| 3 | Toronto | \$2,820 | \$1,904 | \$2,502 | \$3,353 | \$4,170 | 26.8% | 22.0% | 23.5% | 24.0% | 31.8% |
| 4 | London | \$2,016 | \$1,254 | \$1,821 | \$2,178 | \$2,444 | 26.2% | 12.6% | 34.3% | 33.4% | 12.1% |
| 5 | Kitchener | \$2,169 | \$1,527 | \$1,920 | \$2,381 | \$2,483 | 24.2% | 29.0% | 20.9% | 30.3% | 29.9% |
| 6 | North York | \$2,421 | \$1,803 | \$2,120 | \$2,611 | \$2,991 | 24.2% | 20.5% | 22.9% | 23.2% | 25.2% |
| 7 | Surrey | \$2,279 | \$1,562 | \$1,885 | \$2,525 | \$2,477 | 22.0% | 15.7% | 17.5% | 22.3% | 16.6% |
| 8 | Etobicoke | \$2,490 | \$1,895 | \$2,214 | \$2,822 | \$2,828 | 21.3% | 21.1% | 22.7% | 20.8% | 13.8% |
| 9 | Halifax | \$2,104 | \$1,733 | \$1,819 | \$2,146 | \$2,696 | 21.3% | 26.2% | 12.3% | 15.6% | N/A |
| 10 | Oshawa | \$1,916 | \$1,448 | \$1,782 | \$2,060 | \$2,484 | 19.8% | 14.1% | 22.1% | 19.0% | 8.9% |
| 11 | Burlington | \$2,436 | N/A | \$2,167 | \$2,557 | \$2,758 | 18.5% | N/A | 19.5% | 18.3% | 18.1% |
| 12 | Mississauga | \$2,420 | \$1,891 | \$2,133 | \$2,533 | \$2,974 | 18.5% | 22.7% | 15.4% | 15.6% | 18.1% |

The answer is no, housing prices in Brampton have become catastrophic, for October 2022, the average listed rent for a one bedroom in Brampton reached \$2,100, by the 30% of income to be spent on housing, this means you would need to make \$84,000 for that to be affordable. It isn't just rents that are an issue, food prices have also been a major issue, inflation overall has been ripping. While the CUPE 831 contracts were negotiated with 2% raises assuming 2% inflation targets, since 2019, the average rate of inflation has been 4%

Source: <u>https://rentals.ca/national-rent-report</u> (November Report)

| | | | 63 SCHEDULE "1/ OUTSIDE UNIT CUPE L | | | |
|---------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|---|-------------------------------------|-------------|---------------------------|
| | | April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023 | | | | |
| GRADE / POINTS | TITLE | JOB CODE | DEPARTMENT | DIVISION | Hourly Rate | Hourly Rate Annualized |
| | Maintenance Handyperson | SWT506 | Public Works & Engineering | Parks Maintenance & Forestry | \$32.19 | \$66,955.20 |
| | Mechanic B, Small Engine | SCS205 | Public Works & Engineering | Roads Mtn- Operations & Fleet | \$32.19 | \$66,955.20 |
| GRADE 14 | Building Maint Operator | | Community Services | Facilities Operations & Maintenance | \$32.66 | \$67,932.80 |
| 651-680 | Gardener II, District | | Public Works & Engineering | Parks Maintenance & Forestry | \$32.66 | \$67,932.80 |
| | Mechanic "B" | | Public Works & Engineering | Roads Mm- Operations & Fleet | \$32.66 | \$67,932.80 |
| | Truck Driver, Traffic | | Public Works & Engineering | Roads Mm- Operations & Fleet | \$32.66 | \$67,932.80 |
| | Welder/Fabricator-Fleet | SWT265 | Public Works & Engineering | Roads Mtn- Operations & Fleet | \$32.66 | \$67,932.80 |
| GRADE 15 681-710 | Cemetery Operator | SCS025 | Public Works & Engineering | Parks Maintenance & Forestry | \$33.13 | \$68,910.40 |
| | Landscaper, Construction | SCS236 | Public Works & Engineering | Parks Maintenance & Forestry | \$33.13 | \$68,910.40 |
| | Maintenance Handyperson | | Community Services | Recreation | \$33.13 | \$68,910.40 |
| | Maintenance Person | SWT258 | Public Works & Engineering | Roads Mtn- Operations & Fleet | \$33.13 | \$68,910.40 |
| | Operator B | SWT196 | Public Works & Engineering | Roads Mtn- Operations & Fleet | \$33.13 | \$68,910.40 |
| | Parkskeeper IV, District | SCS148 | Public Works & Engineering | Parks Maintenance & Forestry | \$33.13 | \$68,910.40 |
| GRADE 16 | Animal Control Officer | SCS146 | Community Services | Animal Services | \$33.61 | \$69,908.80 |
| 711-740 | Arborist I | SCS162 | Public Works & Engineering | Parks Maintenance & Forestry | \$33.61 | \$69,908.80 |
| | Operator A | SWT197 | Public Works & Engineering | Roads Mtn- Operations & Fleet | \$33.61 | \$69,908.80 |
| | Pesticide Specialist | SCS170 | Public Works & Engineering | Parks Maintenance & Forestry | \$33.61 | \$69,908.80 |
| | Sign Maker | SWT093 | Public Works & Engineering | Roads Mtn- Operations & Fleet | \$33.61 | \$69,908.80 |
| GRADE 17 | Gardener III | SCS298 | Public Works & Engineering | Parks Maintenance & Forestry | \$34.08 | \$70,886.40 |
| 741-770 | Inspector, Forestry | SCS440 | Public Works & Engineering | Parks Maintenance & Forestry | \$34.08 | \$70,886.40 |
| | Mechanic A | | Public Works & Engineering | Roads Mtn- Operations & Fleet | \$34.08 | \$70,886.40 |
| | Parkskeeper V, District | SCS063 | Public Works & Engineering | Parks Maintenance & Forestry | \$34.08 | \$70,886.40 |
| GRADE 18 771-800 | Arborist II | SCS164 | Public Works & Engineering | Parks Maintenance & Forestry | \$34.52 | \$71,801.60 |

Let us take a look at the Outside bargaining wage table, this is the high end of that table for the present wages, as you can see the highest paid position on schedule 1A makes \$71,800, this is \$12k short of that \$84k number to afford a one bedroom apartment.

| | | | SCHEDULE "2A" OFFICE UNIT CUPE LOCA | L#831 | | | | | |
|---------------------------------|---|-------------|--|--------------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|----------|---------------------------|
| April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023 | | | | | | | | | |
| GRADE / POINTS | TITLE | JOB CODE | DEPARTMENT | DIVISION | First 6 Months | Second 6 Months | Third 6 Months | Job Rate | Hourly Rate Annualized |
| 501-530 | Administrator, Payroll | IFN438 | Corporate Services | Finance | \$29.33 | \$31.02 | \$32.77 | \$34.49 | \$62,771.80 |
| 53 - 564 - 684 - 694 55 | Associate, Customer Service | IMS383 | Community Services | Service Brampton | \$29.33 | \$31.02 | \$32.77 | \$34,49 | \$62,771.80 |
| | Associate, Payroll & Pension | IFN479 | Corporate Services | Finance | \$29.33 | \$31.02 | \$32.77 | \$34.49 | \$62,771.80 |
| | Cashier I | IFN071 | Community Services | Service Brampton | \$29.33 | \$31.02 | \$32.77 | \$34.49 | \$62,771.80 |
| | Clerk I, Revenue Services | IFN076 | Corporate Services | Finance | \$29.33 | \$31.02 | \$32.77 | \$34,49 | \$62,771.80 |
| | Clerk, Assessment | IFN228 | Corporate Services | Finance | \$29.33 | \$31.02 | \$32.77 | \$34.49 | \$62,771.80 |
| | Clerk, POA Collection | IFN294 | Corporate Services | Finance | \$29.33 | \$31.02 | \$32.77 | \$34.49 | \$62,771.80 |
| | Clerk, Facility | ICS088 | Community Services | Recreation | \$29.33 | \$31.02 | \$32.77 | \$34,49 | \$62,771.80 |
| | Clerk, Info Mgmt | IMS227 | Office of the CAO | City Clerk | \$29.33 | \$31.02 | \$32.77 | \$34,49 | \$62,771.80 |
| | Clerk, Permit Application | IPB062 | Planning & Development Services | Building | \$29.33 | \$31.02 | \$32.77 | \$34.49 | \$62,771.80 |
| 1 | Licence Inspector | ICP141 | Corporate Services | Enforcement & Bylaw Services | \$29.33 | \$31.02 | \$32.77 | \$34.49 | \$62,771.80 |
| | Purchasing Administrative Assistant | IFN459 | Corporate Services | Purchasing | \$29.33 | \$31.02 | \$32,77 | \$34,49 | \$62,771.80 |
| | Senior Bookkeeper, Comm Sery | ICS091 | Community Services | Recreation | \$29.33 | \$31.02 | \$32.77 | \$34,49 | \$62,771.80 |
| | Senior Clerk, Accounts Payable | IFN036 | Corporate Services | Finance | \$29.33 | \$31.02 | \$32.77 | \$34,49 | \$62,771.80 |
| Grade 9A 501-530 | Clerk II, Maint & Ops | IWT456 | Public Works & Engineering | Roads Maintenance & Operations | \$29.33 | \$31.02 | \$32,77 | \$34,49 | \$71,739.20 |
| 501-550 | 0 / | S | | 8 | | 8 | | | |
| GRADE 10 | Clerk, Addressing & Records | IPB022 | Planning & Development Services | Building | \$30.14 | \$31.91 | \$33.68 | \$35.46 | \$64,537,20 |
| 531-560 | Clerk, Development Finance | IFN451 | Corporate Services | Finance | \$30,14 | \$31.91 | \$33.68 | \$35,46 | \$64,537.20 |
| | Vehicle Inspection Officer | IWT505 | Corporate Services | Licensing | \$30,14 | \$31.91 | \$33.68 | \$35.46 | \$64,537,20 |
| | Clerk, Fleet & Traffic Outside Services | IWT537 | Public Works & Engineering | Roads Maintenance & Operations | \$30,14 | \$31.91 | \$33.68 | \$35,46 | \$64,537.20 |
| | Clerk, Capital Works | IWT532 | Public Works & Engineering | Capital Works | \$30,14 | \$31.91 | \$33.68 | \$35.46 | \$64,537.20 |
| | Clerk, Environmental and Development Eng. | IWT530 | Public Works & Engineering | Environment & Development Eng | \$30.14 | \$31.91 | \$33.68 | \$35.46 | \$64,537.20 |
| | Clerk, Roads Maintenance Operations & Fleet | IWT536 | Public Works & Engineering | Roads Maintenance & Operations | \$30,14 | \$31.91 | \$33.68 | \$35.46 | \$64,537.20 |
| L | Clerk, Recording Building | IPB218 | Planning & Development Services | Building | \$30.14 | \$31.91 | \$33.68 | \$35.46 | \$64,537.20 |
| GRADE 10A | Clerk, Cemetery | ICS326 | Public Works & Engineering | Parks Maintenance & Forestry | \$30,14 | \$31.91 | \$33.68 | \$35.46 | \$73,756.80 |
| 531-560 | Data Entry Clerk, Parks | ICS064 | Public Works & Engineering | Parks Maintenance & Forestry | \$30.14 | \$31.91 | \$33.68 | \$35.46 | \$73,756.80 |
| | Clerk, Fleet & Traffic Outside Services | IWT538 | Public Works & Engineering | Roads Maintenance & Operations | \$30.14 | \$31.91 | \$33.68 | \$35.46 | \$73,756.80 |
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| GRADE 11 | Clerk, Lottery Licensing | ICP449 | Office of the CAO | City Clerk | \$30.91 | \$32.73 | \$34.55 | \$36.38 | \$66,211.60 |
| 561-590 | Collector, Property Tax | IFN074 | Corporate Services | Finance | \$30.91 | \$32.73 | \$34.55 | \$36.38 | \$66,211.60 |
| | Coordinator, Legislative | IMS251 | Office of the CAO | City Clerk | \$30.91 | \$32.73 | \$34.55 | \$36.38 | \$66,211.60 |
| GRADE 11A | Senior Business Clerk, Parks | ICS159 | Public Works & Engineering | Parks Maintenance & Forestry | \$30.91 | \$32.73 | \$34.55 | \$36.38 | \$75,670.40 |
| 561-590 | Clerk, Training & Admin | IWT418 | Public Works & Engineering | Roads Mtn- Operations & Fleet | \$30.91 | \$32.73 | \$34.55 | \$36.38 | \$75,670.40 |
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| GRADE 12 591-620 | Court & Client Representative | IMS495 | Office of the CAO | City Clerk | \$31.73 | \$33.61 | \$35.47 | \$37.32 | \$67,922.40 |
| GRADE 13 | Bilingual Court & Client Representative | IMS496 | Office of the CAO | City Clerk | \$32.53 | \$34.43 | \$36.36 | \$38.27 | \$69,651.40 |
| 621-650 | Intringual Court & Client Representative | 1M3496 | Office of the CAO | City Clerk | \$32.53 | 334.43 | 3.30.30 | 336.27 | 309,651.40 |
| GRADE 14 | | | | | \$33.32 | \$35.30 | \$37.25 | \$39.21 | \$71,362.20 |
| 651-680 | | | | | 3 | 192 8 | | | |

Okay, but what about the office jobs, here is schedule 2A, the highest paid named position is short \$14k a year, and remember, this is pretax money

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|------------------------------|----------------------------|----------|----------------------------|--|---------------------------------|--|
| GRADE / POINTS | TITLE | JOB CODE | DEPARTMENT | DIVISION | April 1, 2022 to Hourly Rate | March 31, 2023 (2.0%) Hourly Rate Annualized* |
| FRADE 11 561 - 590 | Municipal Law Enf. Officer | SCP127 | Corporate Services | Enforce & By-Law Srvc | \$35.16 | \$73,132.80 |
| GRADE 14 651-680 | Mechanic "B" | SWT080 | Public Works & Engineering | Roads Maintenance & Operations | \$38.27 | \$79,601.60 |
| GRADE 17 741-770 | Mechanic "A" | SWT080 | Public Works & Engineering | Roads Maintenance & Operations | \$40.27 | \$83,761.60 |
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| | JOB TITLE | JOB CO | OFFICE UNIT C | CUPE LOCAL #831 | April 1, 2022 to M | arch 31, 2023 (2.0%) |

Now let's take a look at the Schedule Cs, as you can see, again no one makes enough to afford that apartment, close, but no cigar at the high end.

| GRADE 6 | | PCS489 | Community Services | Recreation | \$35.69 | \$37.58 | \$39.55 | \$71,981.0 |
|---------|--|--------|---------------------------------|--|---------|---------|---------|------------|
| 501-530 | Associate, Digital Planning Associate, Digital Planning | PWT540 | Public Works & Engineering | Public Works & Engineering | \$35.69 | \$37.58 | \$39.55 | \$71,981.0 |
| | Analyst, Traffic Parking | PWT331 | Public Works & Engineering | Roads Mtn- Operations & Fleet | \$35.69 | \$37.58 | \$39.55 | \$71,981.0 |
| | Specialist, Production & Digital Media | PBD444 | Office of the CAO | Strategic Communications | \$35.69 | \$37.58 | \$39.55 | \$71,981.0 |
| | Graphic Designer | PBD361 | Office of the CAO | Strategic Communications | \$35.69 | \$37.58 | \$39.55 | \$71,981.0 |
| | Group Leader, Rental Agreements | PCS403 | Community Services | Recreation & Culture | \$35.69 | \$37.58 | \$39.55 | \$71,981.0 |
| | Specialist, Client Support | PMS229 | Corporate Services | Digital Innovation and Information Technology | \$35.69 | \$37.58 | \$39.55 | \$71,981.0 |
| | Team Lead, Call Centre | PMS384 | Community Services | Service Brampton | \$35.69 | \$37.58 | \$39.55 | \$71,981.0 |
| | Technician, GIS | PPB460 | Corporate Services | Digital Innovation and Information Technology | \$35.69 | \$37.58 | \$39.55 | \$71,981.0 |
| | Technician, Int Engineering | PWT276 | Public Works & Engineering | Capital Works | \$35.69 | \$37.58 | \$39.55 | \$71,981.0 |
| | Technologist I, Traffic Op | PWT133 | Public Works & Engineering | Roads Mtn- Operations & Fleet | \$35.69 | \$37.58 | \$39.55 | \$71,981.0 |
| | Traffic Parking Analyst | PWT331 | Public Works & Engineering | Roads Mtn- Operations & Fleet | \$35.69 | \$37.58 | \$39.55 | \$71,981.0 |
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| RADE 6A | | PWT368 | Public Works & Engineering | Roads Mtn- Operations & Fleet | \$35.69 | \$37.58 | \$39.55 | \$82,264.0 |
| 501-530 | Technician, Fleet | PWT186 | Public Works & Engineering | Roads Mtn- Operations & Fleet | \$35.69 | \$37.58 | \$39.55 | \$82,264.0 |
| GRADE 7 | Analyst, Parks Business | PCS529 | Public Works & Engineering | Parks Maintenance & Forestry | \$37.65 | \$39.61 | \$41.71 | \$75.912.2 |
| 531-560 | Analyst, Recreation Planning | PCS497 | Community Services | Recreation | \$37.65 | \$39.61 | \$41.71 | \$75,912.2 |
| | Accountant | PWT365 | Corporate Services | Finance | \$37.65 | \$39.61 | \$41.71 | \$75,912.2 |
| | Administrator, System | PWT428 | Corporate Services | Digital Innovation and Information Technology | \$37.65 | \$39.61 | \$41.71 | \$75,912.2 |
| | Analyst, Construction Project | PMS481 | Community Services | Building Design & Construction | \$37.65 | \$39.61 | \$41.71 | \$75,912.2 |
| | IMS Business Analyst | PWT357 | Corporate Services | Digital Innovation and Information Technology | \$37.65 | \$39.61 | \$41.71 | \$75,912.2 |
| | Records Coordinator | PWT323 | Office of the CAO | City Clerk | \$37.65 | \$39.61 | \$41.71 | \$75,912.2 |
| | Facility Scheduler, Sport Brampton | PCS371 | Community Services | Recreation | \$37.65 | \$39.61 | \$41.71 | \$75,912.2 |
| | Group Leader, Court Admin | PMS429 | Office of the CAO | City Clerk | \$37.65 | \$39.61 | \$41.71 | \$75,912.2 |
| | Officer, Accessible Enforcement | PCP474 | Corporate Services | Enforcement & Bylaw Services | \$37.65 | \$39.61 | \$41.71 | \$75,912.2 |
| | Planner, Assistant Development | PPB307 | Planning & Development Services | Development Services | \$37.65 | \$39.61 | \$41.71 | \$75,912.2 |

In order to come anywhere close to the housing target set by the Ford government, you are going to need to hire a lot of new planning staff, so let's take a look at what they make.

This is from Schedule 1A from the professional and technical bargaining unit from April 2022 to March 2023. As you can see, an Assistant Development Planner does not make enough to rent a one bedroom apartment or rental condo. Let that sink in, a job which you will need to hire a significant number of, and generally has a four year degree cannot afford a typical one bedroom apartment in Brampton.



Thinking that well, if they want more wages, you'll just hire less people? Well, we have a huge number of people coming to Brampton really soon, if you don't hire enough people, expect work quality to severely suffer, and also people seeking employment elsewhere, potentially leading to a collapse in municipal services

Key takeaways

- CUPE 831 contracts end in early 2024
- All units have seen significant real pay cuts due to inflation
- Housing costs are through the roof, so many new City employees can't afford to rent their own unit above ground.
- Significant increases in staff needed
- Expect CUPE to ask to restore wages back before inflation struck

Start raising money for higher staffing costs in the 2023 Budget

If you fail to plan for these increased staffing costs now, they will blow up in your face before the election. Legal will undoubtedly urge you to save any discussion on this for in camera, on the basis of "labour relations or employee negotiations", that would be a reasonable suggestion.